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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before calculating the fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

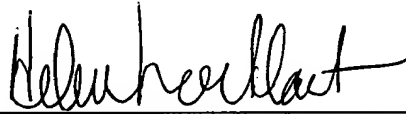
In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 10, 11, 13-15, 17-19, 21-23, 26-31, 33, 35, and 37

Please re-write claim 16 as shown below. A marked-up copy of claim 16 is attached to the end of this amendment.

A. 16. An isolated binding polypeptide which binds selectively to a polypeptide encoded by the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

Respectfully submitted,



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